

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 5, 2007

The Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians met Wednesday, September 5, 2007 at 10:05 a.m. in Room 107, at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Board Members Present:

Glenn Morris, *Chairman*, Steve Sanford, *Vice Chairman*, Diane Drake, *Cognizant*, Dave Meldrum, Thomas Schulz.

Staff Members Present:

Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*, Gwen Dodson, *Administrative Assistant*, Ellen J. Morris, *Board Secretary*, Deborah Beard, *Compliance Manager*, Adrienne Price, *Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant*, Ronjalyn Bond, *Application Specialist*, Crystal Jackson, *Application Specialist*, Lynn Eason, *Investigations*, Wylencia Monroe, *Assistant Attorney General*.

Mr. Morris established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Mr. Sanford moved, Mrs. Drake seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k), §43-1-19(h) and §50-14-4(b) to deliberate on applications, and to receive enforcement's, Board Attorney's and Cognizant's reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Board members Glenn Morris, Tom Schulz, and David Meldrum. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the open session.

Minutes: Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board approved the May 23, 2007 minutes with corrections.

Executive Director's Report-Sandy Bond

Mrs. Bond discussed with the Board correspondence received from NAIT (Northern Alberta Institute of Technology) regarding their affiliation with this organization. Mr. Sanford moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to accept this item as information only.

Approval of 2008 Exam Dates

Mr. Schulz moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board approved the 2008 examination dates as amended, removing the exams dates for May and November. Exam dates are as follows:

2/12/08 – 2/13/08 – Macon

8/5/08 – 8/6/08 – Macon

Approval of 2008 Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Schulz moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board approved the meeting dates as scheduled:

DISPENSING OPTICIANS BOARD MEETING DATES 2008

DATE	LOCATION
January 23, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
March 12, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
May 21, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
July 30, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
September 10, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
November 19, 2008	Office of the Secretary of State State Examining Boards 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217

Mid-Term NCSORB 2007 Update

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to withdraw from NCSORB.

Update of Policies and Procedures

Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board moved to request Diane Drake, Cognizant Member, to meet with Assistant Attorney General Wylencia Monroe to rewrite specified sections in the policies and procedures regarding Continuing Education and Renewal Requirements.

Reinstatements

Applicant #28929—Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to accept the additional one (1) hour CE credit received by licensee after the 2007 expiration date, with no additional action to be taken, and license status to remain active.

Applicant #28950—Ms. Drake moved and Mr. Meldrum seconded to deny reinstatement application.

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Assistant Attorney General's Report – Wylencia Monroe

Vote to Post Rule 420-5-.01-Application and Examination Requirements

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to post Rule 420-5-.01 as amended.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
RULES CHAPTER 420-5; RULE 420-5-.01, APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION
REQUIREMENTS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians (hereinafter "Board") proposes an amendment to the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians Rules, Chapter 420; Rule 420-5-.01 Application and Examination Requirements (herein after "proposed rule amendment").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 10:30 a.m. on November 28, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment.

At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be

submitted for official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:30 P.M.) on November 12, 2007. Written comments should be addressed to Donald Munday, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Telephone (478) 207-2440 or fax (478) 207-1660.

The Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for adoption at a meeting scheduled to begin at 10:35 a.m. on November 28, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians has the authority to adopt a proposed rule amendment to Rule 420-5-.01 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6, 43-29-7 and 43-29-8.

At its Board meeting on September 5, 2007, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.G.C.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6, 43-29-7 and 43-29-8.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6, 43-29-7 and 43-29-8 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of dispensing opticians.

For further information, contact the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This _____ day of _____, 2007.

Donald Munday
Division Director
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS

DIVISION

Posted: _____

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-5; RULE 420-5-.01 APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION
REQUIREMENTS**

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed rule is to outline the requirements for candidates aspiring to taking the optical dispensing examination.

Main Features: The main feature of this rule requires applicants to have certain degree requirements or practical experience requirements met prior to taking the optical dispensing exam.

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-5; RULE 420-5-.01 APPLICATION AND EXAMINATION
REQUIREMENTS**

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 420-5-.01 Application and Examination Requirements is hereby revised as follows:

420-5-.01 Application and Examination Requirements

- (1) The optical dispensing examination shall be held a minimum of twice a year.
- (2) Complete applications with all attachments and documents shall be filed with the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the examination. Each application must be accompanied by the following attachments:
 - (a) Verification of age (Birth Certificate or equivalent required);
 - (b) Copy of high school diploma or its equivalent as defined by the State Board of Education;
 - (c) If applying on the basis of education, the applicant must have satisfactorily completed a ~~course of study in an opticianry degree or diploma from~~ a recognized school of ophthalmic dispensing approved by the Board. An official Ccollege transcript, with graduation date, and copy of diploma or degree indicating the graduation date must accompany the application.
 - (d) A recognized school of ophthalmic dispensing is defined as one that offers ~~an ophthalmic dispensing program issuing a diploma and/or degree~~ a Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) approved curriculum of opticianry courses leading to a diploma, degree, or certificate that is recognized by the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians; A recognized school of ophthalmic dispensing also includes opticianry programs accredited by the Commission on Opticianry Accreditation and may include other opticianry education programs recognized by the Board;

(e) Applicants applying on the basis of education and experience must submit a transcript and an affidavit that specifies total course ~~study~~ clock hours completed from a ~~recognized accredited~~ program, ~~plus an affidavit of work hours completed.~~ The applicant must also furnish an affidavit of work hours engaged in ophthalmic dispensing activities approved by the Board while under the direct supervision of a licensed optician, a licensed physician or a licensed optometrist. The total combined number of hours must be a minimum of 3000 hours; and not less than two calendar years;

(f) ~~A fee established by the Board must accompany the application;~~ Applicants applying on the basis of practical experience shall furnish an affidavit of work hours engaged in ophthalmic dispensing activities approved by the Board while under the direct supervision of a licensed optician, a licensed physician or a licensed optometrist. The total of hours must be a minimum of 3,000 hours and not less than two calendar years;

(g) ~~Photograph of applicant within last year.~~ A fee established by the Board must accompany the application;

(h) A recent photograph of the applicant taken within the past year;

(3) Subject matter of examination shall be related to ophthalmic dispensing.

(4) The passing score for the ophthalmic dispensing practical examination shall be 75

(5) Any false or misleading information in connection with any application may because for exclusion from the examination on the ground of lack of good moral character. If the Board finds that the application is complete and that all the requirements of the statute and of the regulations have been met, it shall issue to the applicant a letter which shall advise the applicant of the time, date and place of the examination. The candidate shall submit his/her letter to the examiner upon entrance to the examination room.

(6) Licensing examinations shall be conducted in accordance with the following procedure and any candidate violating ~~any of such~~ the procedure, may be dismissed from the examination room or otherwise disciplined:

(a) no candidate may enter the examination room late nor leave the examination room early.

(b) during the examination no candidate shall communicate with any other candidate in any ~~other~~ way;

(c) a candidate shall not bring books or other help of any kind into the examination room unless directed to do so by the Board because of the character of the examination.

(7) Prior to issuance of a license, applicant must submit current ABO and NCLE certificates.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§43-29-3, 43-29-6, 43-29-7 and 43-29-8.

Vote to Post Rule 420-8-.01-Practical Training and Experience

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to post Rule 420-8-.01.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
RULES CHAPTER 420-8; RULE 420-8-.01, PRACTICAL TRAINING AND
EXPERIENCE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians (hereinafter "Board") proposes an amendment to the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians Rules, Chapter 420; Rule 420-8-.01 Practical Training and Experience (herein after "proposed rule amendment").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 10:30 a.m. on November 28, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment.

At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:30 P.M.) on November 12, 2007. Written comments should be addressed to Donald Munday, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Telephone (478) 207-2440 or fax (478) 207-1660.

The Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for adoption at a meeting scheduled to begin at 10:35 a.m. on November 28, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians has the authority to adopt a proposed rule amendment to Rule 420-8-.01 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§_____.

At its Board meeting on September 5, 2007, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.G.C.A. §§_____.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6 and 43-29-11 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of dispensing opticians.

For further information, contact the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This _____ day of _____, 2007.

Donald Munday
Division Director
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

Posted: _____

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-8; RULE 420-8-.01 PRACTICAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed rule is to provide the standards for apprenticeship period requirements in order to be considered for licensure.

Main Features: The main feature of the proposed rule is to clarify the tenets of an approved apprenticeship course to include experience and a written plan of instruction.

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-8; RULE 420-8-.01 PRACTICAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 420-8-.01 Practical Training and Experience is hereby revised as follows:

420-8-.01 Practical Training and Experience.

In order to be admitted to the examination pursuant to that provision of O.C.G.A. §43-29 7(b)(4) which provides "practical training and experience of a grade and character satisfactory to the Board for not less than two years under the supervision of a dispensing optician, a licensed physician, or a licensed optometrist: Provided, however, that any time spent in a recognized school shall be considered as a part of the apprenticeship period provided herein", the applicant must submit documentation to the Board with his/her application to establish the satisfaction of such provisions, the satisfaction of which will be determined under the following standards:

(a) ~~"For not less than two (2) years"~~ means ~~two (2) calendar years and shall include, at a minimum 3,000 hours experience.~~ Effective January 1, 2008, new candidates for apprenticeship shall register with the Board. Apprentice opticians working in the field prior to January 1, 2008 must register with the Board by January 1, 2010 and will otherwise be exempt from the educational requirements of the rule. Hours attained prior to registration as an Apprentice may be considered toward the 2-years/3000 hours requirement upon approval by the Board.

(b) ~~"Under the supervision of a dispensing optician, licensed physician or a licensed optometrist"~~ means ~~that the appropriate licensed practitioner(s) must be on the premises where the practical training and experience is being acquired for every hour of apprenticeship sought to be considered in fulfillment of this requirement.~~ Practical training and experience of a grade and character satisfactory to the Board for not less than two years" means two (2) calendar years and shall include, at a minimum, 3,000 hours experience engaged in apprenticeship functions and must include written instructional subject matter as deemed appropriate and approved by the Board.

~~(b)~~ (c) "Under the supervision of a dispensing optician, licensed physician or a licensed optometrist" means that the appropriate licensed practitioner(s) must be on the premises where the practical training and experience is being acquired for every hour of apprenticeship sought to be considered in fulfillment of this requirement.

(d) Effective January 1, 2008 new candidates for apprenticeship such experience and instruction must be formally certified by the supervising licensed dispensing optician, licensed physician, or licensed optometrist and must include the written plan of instruction in the subjects approved by Board for new candidates. The plan of instruction shall include at a minimum:

1. The title of each component.
2. A description of the topics presented and the instructional techniques that will be employed.
3. A list of textbooks and instructional materials.
4. A description of the method(s) of evaluation.

(e) Such instruction may also be evidenced by certificates from schools of opticianry that are recognized by the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education. A formal home study program through the Career Progression Program from the National Academy of Opticianry or other programs approved in advance by the Board.

Authority §§_____.

Vote to Post Rule 420-9-.01-Continuing Education for License Renewals

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to post Rule 420-9-.01 as amended.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
RULES CHAPTER 420-9; RULE 420-9-.01, CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR
LICENSE RENEWALS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians (hereinafter "Board") proposes an amendment to the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians Rules, Chapter 420; Rule 420-9-.01 Continuing Education for License Renewals (herein after "proposed rule amendment").

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At its Board meeting on September 5, 2007, the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.G.C.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6 and 43-29-11.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6 and 43-29-11 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of dispensing opticians.

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This _____ day of _____, 2007.

Donald Munday
Division Director
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

Posted: _____

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-9; RULE 420-9-.01 CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR LICENSE
RENEWALS**

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed rule is to clarify requirements for continuing education courses.

Main Features: The main feature of the proposed rule is to require a certificate reflecting at least ten (10) hours of continuing education for the biennial renewal of licenses.

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
CHAPTER 420-9; RULE 420-9-.01 CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR LICENSE
RENEWALS**

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

Rule 420-9-.01 Continuing Education for License Renewals is hereby revised as follows:

420-9-.01 Continuing Education for License Renewals

Continuing Education courses totaling at least ten (10) hours shall be required for the biennial renewal of licenses. Of the ten (10) hours, a minimum of two (2) hours shall be in the area of contact lenses. Of the ten (10) hours, no more than two (2) hours may be obtained via the internet.

With his/her application for license renewal, each licensed dispensing optician must submit a certificate or certificates of attendance for course hours completed as proof that his/her education requirements have been satisfied.

~~(a) The method of reporting continuing education shall be by audit as follows: 1. Each licensed dispensing optician shall be responsible for maintaining certificates of attendance (and supporting documents as appropriate) for continuing education courses taken to satisfy the requirements for continuing education for a period of four (4) years from the date of attendance;~~

~~2. The staff of the State Examining Boards shall audit the continuing education of a percentage of licensees for compliance with all rules and regulations. This percentage shall not exceed 20% of the licensed opticians, randomly selected, the State per biennium;~~

~~3. At the time of license renewal, licensed dispensing opticians shall certify to the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians that he/she has completed the continuing education required for license renewal;~~

~~4. In the event a licensee, who is audited, fails to submit certificates of continuing education, or other documentation, of having satisfied the continuing education requirements for license renewal, the application for renewal will not be processed until all continuing education requirements are met; and~~

~~5. A licensee who fails to meet the continuing education requirements shall be subject to disciplinary actions by the Board.~~

Authority O.C.G.A. §§ 43-29-3, 43-29-6 and 43-29-11.

Enforcement—Lynn Eason

DISP060028—Ms .Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board moved to close the case.

DISP060029—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to refer back to Investigations for further investigations and follow-up inspection of Cease and Desist order.

DISP060030—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Sanford seconded and the Board moved to close the case.

DISP060031—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board moved to refer back to Investigations for further investigations.

DISP070007—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to close the case.

DISP070010—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board moved to refer back to Investigations for further investigation and to obtain the correct address of the licensee.

DISP070011—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board moved to refer back to Investigations for further investigations.

DISP070012—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to request Investigations to have an investigative interview with the licensed dispensing optician.

DISP070013—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to request Investigations to have an investigative interview with the licensed dispensing optician.

DISP070014—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to request Investigations to have an investigative interview with the licensed dispensing optician owner.

DISP070015—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to request Investigations to have an investigative interview with the licensed dispensing optician owner.

DISP070016—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to request Investigations to have an investigative interview with the licensed dispensing optician owner.

Mr. Sanford moved, Mrs. Drake seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k), §43-1-19(h) and §50-14-4(b) to deliberate on applications, and to receive enforcement's, Board Attorney's and Cognizant's reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Board members Glenn Morris, Tom Schulz, and David Meldrum. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the open session.

Exam Stats—Inez Lockett

Ms. Lockett reported current Exam stats to the Board.

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Enforcement Continued—Lynn Eason

DISP070019—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to close the case.

DISP070020—Mr. Schulz moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to close the case.

DISP070021—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to refer back to Investigations for further investigation.

DISP060029—Mr. Schulz moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to accept the Cease and Desist Order.

DISP070012—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to accept the Cease and Desist Order.

Application Specialist—Ronjalyn Bond

Applicant #1097763—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to proceed with licensure by examination.

Application Specialist—Crystal Jackson

Applicant #1094537—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to proceed with licensure by examination.

Applicant #1095982—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board moved to proceed with licensure by examination.

Applicant #1056527—Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to proceed with licensure by examination.

Mr. Sanford moved, Mrs. Drake seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k), §43-1-19(h) and §50-14-4(b) to deliberate on applications, and to receive enforcement's, Board Attorney's and Cognizant's reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Board members Glenn Morris, Tom Schulz, and David Meldrum. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the open session.

Renewal of Licensees without CE Credits

DISP080022—Mr. Sanford moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080023—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080024—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080017—Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080018—Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Sanford seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, and Board Member Diane Drake, who reclused the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080019—Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, and Board Member Diane Drake, who moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080020—Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Schulz seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

DISP080021—Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board, with the exception of Board Member Glenn Morris who opposed the vote, moved to refer this case to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order to include a fine of \$500.00 for misrepresentation to the Board on the renewal application.

Late Agenda Item

LDO000585—Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to send a standard letter of legal advice referring licensee to O.C.G.A. 43-29-.01, paragraphs 1-22.

Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded and the Board moved to ratify the following applications for licensure determined to have met licensure requirements issued between Board meetings as follows:

Approved Examinations:

<u>License #</u>	<u>Licensee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
LDO002157	Desamour-Nelson, Rosely	05/09/2007
LDO002158	Toussaint, Soraya	06/08/2007
LDO002159	Paradise, Donna	06/14/2007
LDO002160	Plount, Tracy L.	06/14/2007
LDO002161	Radford, Derick Vondell	06/14/2007
LDO002162	Rice, Mary Fay	06/14/2007
LDO002163	Shepherd, Jenni Lyn	06/14/2007
LDO002164	Vernon, Asley Mark	06/14/2007
LDO002165	Pandya, Sharadkumar M.	06/14/2007
LDO002166	Tilly, Sarah D.	06/14/2007
LDO002167	Tran, Dung Quang	06/14/2007
LDO002168	DaSilva, Jose Louis	06/19/2007
LDO002169	Lovejoy, April Christine	06/20/2007
LDO002170	Lorzeille, Monique	06/27/2007
LDO002171	Ahmed, Said Ali	07/02/2007
LDO002172	Fall, James O.	07/03/2007
LDO002173	Alvarez, Julius A.	07/05/2007
LDO002174	Kelly, Clavear Elijah	07/12/2007
LDO002175	Gould, Leticia Marie	07/18/2007
LDO002176	Connor, Jonathan Douglas	07/18/2007
LDO002177	Elliott, Teresa Dayupay	08/06/2007
LDO002178	Miller, Donna Joyce	08/15/2007
LDO002179	Zimmerly, Brandon J.	08/27/2007
LDO002180	Young, Robert Adam	08/27/2007
LDO002181	Strickland, Frederick Samuel	08/27/2007
LDO002182	Roman, Luis Felipe	08/27/2007
LDO002183	Smith, Petra Gail	08/27/2007
LDO002184	Rhoden, Harry	08/27/2007

There being no further business to come before the Board, Glenn Morris adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Ellen J. Morris, *Board Secretary*

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Sylvia Bond, *Executive Director*

Glenn Morris, *Board President*

Sylvia Bond, *Executive Director*

DATE SIGNED AND APPROVED: _____